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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 149836

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MORG, PFOR, BA

SUBJECT: MIDEASTFORCE NEGOTIATIONS - SIGNATURE

REFERENCES: (A) STATE 148800, (B) MANAMA 1356, (C) MANAMA--  
1370

1. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO PROCEED WITH EXCHANGE OF NOTES  
IN FORM CONTAINED MANAMA 1356.

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2. FURTHER REVIEW HERE INDICATES THAT IT WOULD BE PREFER-  
ABLE FROM U.S. STANDPOINT FOR BOTH PARTIES TO INITIAL  
UNDATED LEASE DOCUMENT ON JUNE 28, SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH  
SIGNATURE OF EXCHANGES OF NOTES. INITIALLING WOULD DEMON-  
STRATE OUR INTENTION TO BE BOUND BY SUBSTANTIVE PROVISIONS  
OF AMENDMENTS, BUT SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY ORAL UNDER-  
STANDING THAT THEY ARE SUBJECT TO CONGRESSIONAL CLEARANCE.

SIGNATURE WOULD FOLLOW WHEN CONGRESSIONAL CLEARANCE OBTAINED.

3. WE RECOGNIZE RISK OF GOB "SALAMI TACTICS" TO WHICH YOU REFER, BUT IN OUR VIEW THIS IS OUTWEIGHED BY IMPORTANCE OF NOT IN ANY WAY GIVING APPEARANCE OF INTENT TO CIRCUMVENT CLEAR STATUTORY PROVISIONS OF 10 USC 2675, SUCH AS

WOULD INEVITABLY ARISE FROM POSTDATED LETTERS ACTUALLY EXCHANGED ON JUNE 28. ORAL UNDERSTANDING REACHED WITH GOB SHOULD BE DOCUMENTED IN YOUR REPORTING TELEGRAM REGARDING SIGNATURE OF NOTES A AND B.

4. IF FONMIN BALKS AT INITIALING PROPOSAL YOU MAY INDICATE THAT THIS HAS BECOME A WELL-RECOGNIZED PROCEDURE IN NEGOTIATING PROCESS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES, AND IN NO WAY REFLECTS ANY "SECOND THOUGHTS" ON OUR PART. DESPITE NAVY URGING, HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE HAS INDICATED THAT ITS SCHEDULE WILL NOT PERMIT BAHRAIN LEASE TO BE ADDRESSED BEFORE JULY 11, BECAUSE OF PRESSURE OF OTHER MATTERS AND HOLIDAY RECESS. WE WOULD OF COURSE SIGN AS SOON AS COMMITTEE REVIEW IS COMPLETE.

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